WE NEVER LEARN

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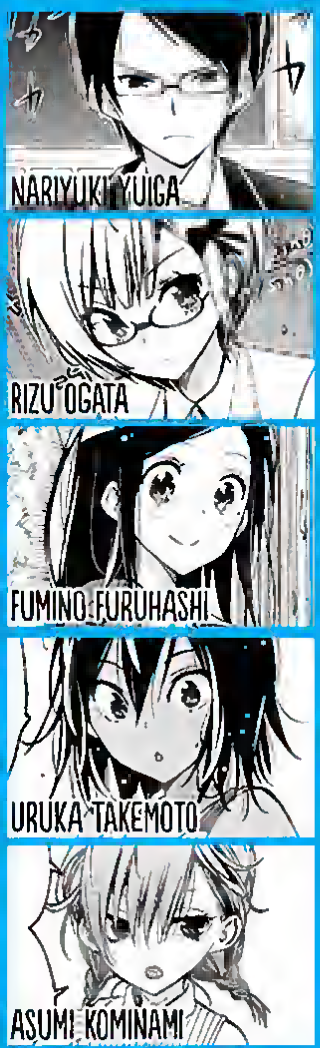
Nariyuki Yuiga is a self-professed super student. He's not naturally gifted in the sciences or arts like his classmates Rizu and Fumino, but he does have pluck and persistence! He's such a good student that he finally realizes his dream of obtaining a scholarship to college, which is a great relief since his family is dirt-poor! But there's a catch...

PREVIOUSLY IN *WE NEVER LEARN*:

Three prodigies + three difficult subjects + one desperate tutor = DANGER!

Yuiga has his hands full trying to help three students succeed in their worst subjects. Fumino is an ace in literature but wants to study science! Super athlete Uruka's preferred university requires English proficiency, but she hates to study! And math whiz Rizu is determined to major in the humanities. But if Yuiga somehow succeeds, he'll get the scholarship he needs to attend his college of choice!

Yuiga's started cram school to help with his own studies. However, he finds himself in a bit of trouble when he ends up at a maid café after he gets lost trying to get back home. And to his surprise, one of the maids just so happens to be his cram school classmate—Asumi!



Question 32: An Elder Sees an X Future with Naive Honesty

BEHIND THE SCENES ...
WHAT, ANOTHER RETAKE?!
WE'VE ALREADY DONE THREE!
Gasp
I-I'M SORRY.
I CAN'T SEEM TO GET A GOOD SHOT OF OGATA...
I'M NOT GOING TO RUN ANYMORE.
I DON'T CARE HOW I LOOK.
Huff
Hff
YUIGA, YOU'RE SO BAD WITH TECH STUFF!
Lemme see!
WORMP
BEEP
Talk about action shots!
HER CHEST IS WAY BLURRY IN ALL OF THEM!
OKAY.
ONE MORE TAKE.
TUG
Sorry--

RRRMMBBB
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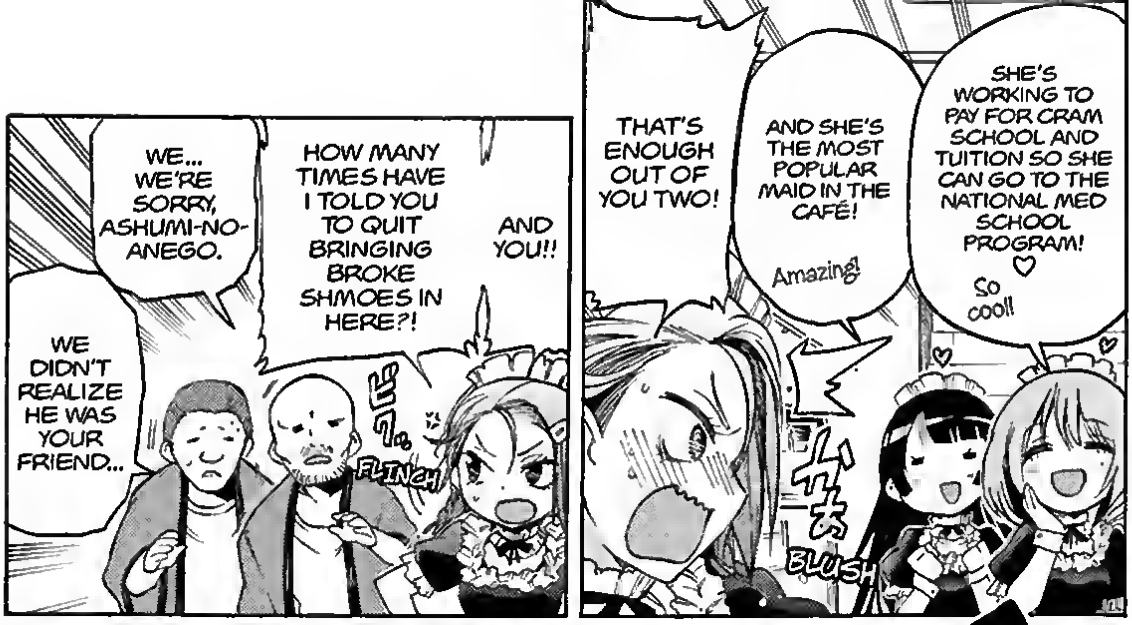
ガーン
BLUSH
ブルブル
QUIVER
ブルブル
QUIVER
UM...
SO, UH...
WHY DO YOU WORK IN THIS KINDA PLACE...
ASHUMI SENPAI?
AAA-AGH!!
DON'T YOU DARE CALL ME THAT, KOHAI!
I'LL KNOCK YOUR BLOCK OFF!
THE PAY'S GOOD.
THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT.


WE... WE'RE SORRY, ASHUMI-NO-ANEGO.
HOW MANY TIMES HAVE I TOLD YOU TO QUIT BRINGING BROKE SHMOES IN HERE?!
AND YOU!!
WE DIDN'T REALIZE HE WAS YOUR FRIEND...
ビク。
FLINCH
THAT'S ENOUGH OUT OF YOU TWO!
AND SHE'S THE MOST POPULAR MAID IN THE CAFÉ!
Amazing!
SHE'S WORKING TO PAY FOR CRAM SCHOOL AND TUITION SO SHE CAN GO TO THE NATIONAL MED SCHOOL PROGRAM!
So cool!
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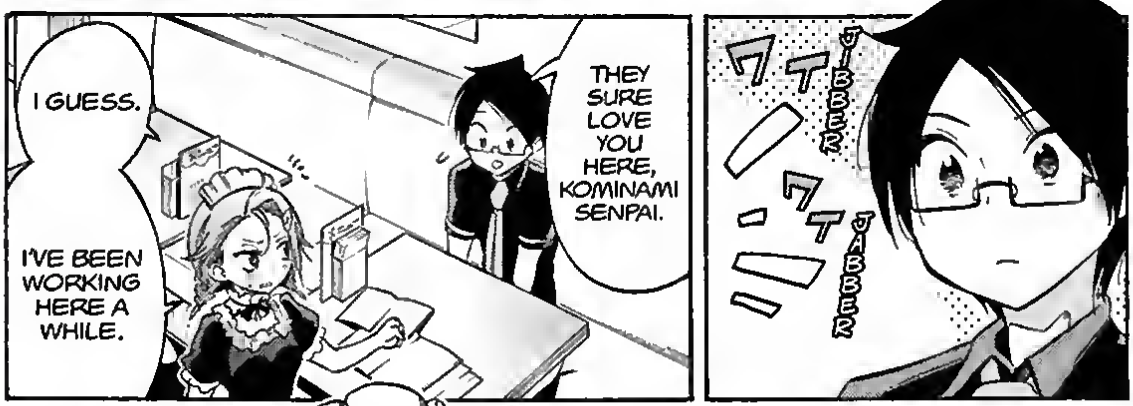
BLUSH

*-NO-ANEGO MEANS "BIG SISTER." IT'S A TERM OF RESPECT.



OH...
バサバサ
FLOOF
Don't tell anyone about my job.
YOU CAN GO HOME NOW, KOHAI.
SO.
RIGHT!
YES, OF COURSE!
I'LL GET THEM!
J-JUST LEAVE THEM!
OOPS, SORRY!
Physics
Biology
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STELLAR SCORES— THAT'S NO SURPRISE.
HER PRACTICE EXAMS.
HUH?

HEY. THIS...
AIIEE!!
SHUP?
DON'T LOOK, YOU IDIOT!!
...!
WELL, NOW YOU KNOW.
I'VE ALWAYS STRUGGLED WITH SCIENCE.
WELL, SORRY!
I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING!
HOW'S SHE GONNA GET INTO MED SCHOOL ...
...WITH PATHETIC SCIENCE SCORES, RIGHT?
GO AHEAD— I KNOW YOU WANNA LAUGH!
SENPAI ...

CHATTER
CHATTER
...THE SUM OF THE TORQUES ABOUT POINT C MUST BE ZERO.
THUS, THE N_A FORCE THE CYLINDER RECEIVES AT TERMINAL A...
SO, TO BALANCE THE CYLINDER WITHOUT ROTATION...
SKRIT
SKRIT
SKRIT
$N_A = \frac{1}{2} mg \left(1 - \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda}\right)$
Solved it!
I GET IT NOW! WOW!
OH!
NOTE

...
I'VE NEVER CONSIDERED IT
REALLY?
Gee...
YOU'D MAKE A GREAT TEACHER...
I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW GOOD YOU ARE AT EXPLAINING THIS STUFF, KOHAI...

キュピーン
GLEAM

High Stakes
ミーン
CHRRRP
CHRRRP
ミーン
THE NEXT DAY...

HEY !!
WHY'RE YOU HERE AGAIN, KOHAI ?!
GOOD QUESTION. I DON'T KNOW EITHER...
SLURRP
IDOROLL
?!
SEEMED LIKE HE REALLY HELPED YA WITH YER SCHOOL-WORK YESTERDAY.
Y'KNOW, ASHUMI-NO-ANEGO...
WE INVITED HIM. SAID HE COULD HANG OUT FOR FREE WHEN THE PLACE AIN'T BUSY.
I NEVER ASKED FOR THIS!
I CAN HANDLE MY OWN STUDIES! I DON'T NEED KOHAI'S HELP...
W-WHAT ?!
WE'D HATE FOR YOU TO GET BAD GRADES AND HAFTA QUIT THE CAFÉ!
PIXIE MAID ASHUMI, YOU'RE THE MAIN DRAW OF THIS PLACE!

A FEW DAYS LATER...
BAM BAM
BAM

KKHRRR
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BAM BAM BAM
OH!
YUIGA'S HERE AGAIN!
WHAT A NICE GUY— SACRIFICING HIS OWN STUDY TIME!
ASHUMI-NO-ANEGO RESISTED AT FIRST...
BUT THIS IS CLEARLY WORKING OUT!

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LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE GOT CUSTOMERS, SENPAI!
OH! SORRY!
BETTER CALL IT A DAY!
Welcome back, darling!
OKAY! SEE YOU AT CRAM SCHOOL!
WELCOME HOME, SWEETIE PIE!
PIXIE MAID ASHUMI SURE MISSED YOU!
SHOOP
MAN, WHATTA TRANSFORMATION!

LET'S SEE...
BETTER DO SOME PREP FOR TOMORROW'S SUMMER SCHOOL CLASS...
MUTTER
MUTTER
BAM
OOF!
!
I-I'M SO SORRY! I WASN'T LOOKING ...
ARE YOU OKAY ?!
FLAPPA
OH DEAR! FORGIVE ME!
I'M AFRAID I WAS SPACING OUT...
KOFF
HM?
SHOOP
THIS TEXT-BOOK...
Mitaka Seminar
IT'S FROM THE SAME CRAM SCHOOL MY DAUGHTER ATTENDS...
OH?
TAK TAK
HEY !!

KOHAI!
TAK TAK TAK
YOU FORGOT YOUR TRAIN PASS AT THE CAFÉ!
WHAAAAT?!
I'M SO SORRY, SENPAI!
That was close!
YOU SPACE CADET!
HUH?
ASUMI...
WHY ARE YOU DRESSED LIKE THAT?!
HM?
HUH?
GUH
DAD ...
WHAAAAT?!
OMG... TALK ABOUT DISASTROUS TIMING!!

KOMINAMI CLINIC
I'M SORRY I CAN'T OFFER YOU BETTER HOSPITALITY.
コホ
コホ
KOFF KOFF
YOU'RE PROBABLY SURPRISED IT'S SO RUN-DOWN.
Ha ha ha...
N-NO, NOT AT ALL!
SO KOMINAMI SENPAI'S FATHER..
...IS A DOCTOR!
GLANCE
チラ
チラ
GLANCE
I WANTED TO PROVIDE A BETTER CLINICAL ENVIRONMENT FOR MY PATIENTS...
...SO I CREATED MY OWN.
BUT I'M AFRAID I HAVE NO TALENT FOR MANAGEMENT ...
It's embarrassing!
WELL ...
... PUTTING THAT ASIDE ...

ASUMI...
I'D LIKE YOU TO EXPLAIN THAT GET-UP YOU'RE WEARING.
NO DOUBT!

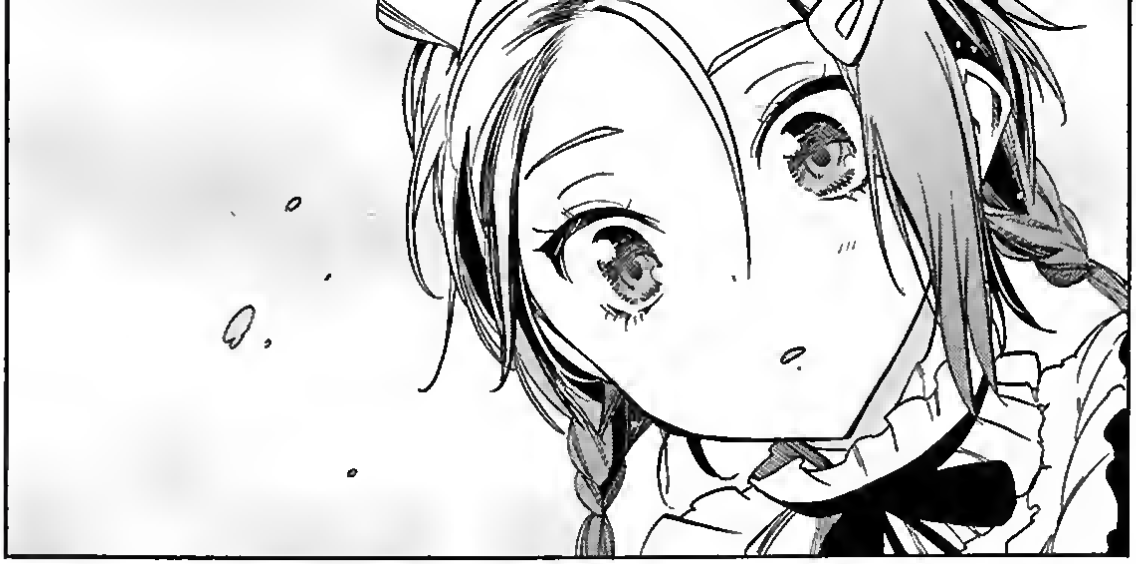
YOU SAID YOU'D EARN YOUR OWN CRAM SCHOOL TUITION ...
...BUT I NEVER EXPECTED YOU'D WORK SOME-WHERE SEEDY...
ZAP
YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG, DAD!
THEN SET ME STRAIGHT!
THIS IS...
I MEAN ...

I'M JUST HUMORING MY BOY-FRIEND'S TASTES!
WHAAAAAAT?!

YOUR BOY-FRIEND?!
WHA-?!
WHA-?!
IS THAT TRUE?!
THEN TELL ME... WHAT DO YOU SEE IN MY DAUGH-TER?!
ER, WELL...
WINK
I...
I, UH...
TREMBLE TREMBLE
UH...
HOW HARD SHE WORKS...
...TO FULFILL HER DREAM OF GOING TO MED SCHOOL...
YES, THAT'S IT.
!
MED...
...SCHOOL?
...
ASUMI...
YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN UP THAT NON-SENSE?!
WHAT...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, NON-SENSE?!
SHIP
I KEEP TELLING YOU NOT TO WORRY ABOUT ME!
THERE'S MORE TO LIFE THAN BEING A DOCTOR!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO FOLLOW IN MY FOOT-STEPS. FOLLOW THE PATH THAT SUITS YOU BEST!

I KEEP TELLING YOU...
VOOSH
I'M SERIOUS ABOUT THIS!!
I WANT TO CONTINUE THE FAMILY BUSINESS!!
YOU HAVE NO SHOT AT THE NATIONAL MED SCHOOL WITH YOUR SCIENCE SCORES!
...MEDICINE IS NO CAKE-WALK!
LISTEN ...
BAM
GAH!! DON'T CALL ME A RONIN!
THAT'S WHY YOU'RE A RONIN!!
YOU DON'T HAVE WHAT IT TAKES!
BAM BAM
BAM BAM
I WON'T KNOW UNLESS I TRY!
IT'S TRUE...
...THAT SOME THINGS ARE BEYOND OUR ABILITIES.
UM...
GUH...

...IF YOU CAN OR CAN'T DO SOME-THING...
...IF YOU ALWAYS SAY YOU CAN'T DO IT?
BUT...
...HOW WILL YOU REALLY KNOW...
THE PRE-LIMI-NARY EXAM FOR THE NATIONAL MED SCHOOL ...
...COVERS FIVE SUBJECTS AND SEVEN SUBTOPICS.
SHE'S CHOSEN TO TAKE ON AN EXTREMELY HARD TEST WITHOUT HER FAMILY'S SUPPORT!
THAT SHOWS SOME SERIOUS MOTI-VATION!
SO...
I THINK ASUMI CAN OVERCOME HER CHAL-LENGES!
WON'T YOU GIVE HER A CHANCE? PLEASE?
I'M WILLING TO DO WHATEVER I CAN TO HELP!



SIR?
I DIDN'T MEAN...
...TO POKE MY NOSE IN WHERE IT DOESN'T BELONG!
GRRRR
...
GASP!
OH!
PLEASE EXCUSE ME, SIR!

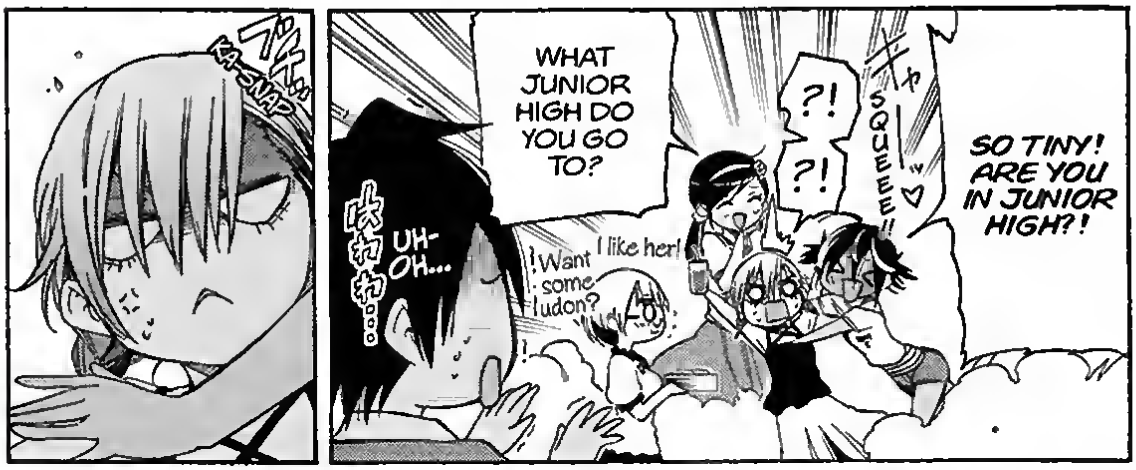
KOMINAMI CLINIC
HE LIKES ME!
HUH ?!
CALL ME DAD.

...
I'M REALLY GLAD.
I'm exhausted!
YES ...
Thank you.
...TO GIVE ME A CHANCE.
SOMEHOW YOU CONVINCED HIM...

BLUSH
SO... SHOULD WE KISS?
SINCE YOU'RE MY BOY-FRIEND?
BUT FOR REAL ...
MAN, YOU'RE GULLIBLE!
JUST KIDDING. DUH.
THAT WAS JUST THE STORY YOU TOLD HIM!
WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
I REALLY APPRE-CIATE...
...ALL YOUR HELP.
なでっ PAT PAT
THANK YOU.
ドキ... BA-DMP

HM? WHAT'S UP NOW?
HAVING SECOND THOUGHTS ABOUT THAT KISS?!
Ya perv!
YEAH, RIGHT!
SHOULDN'T YOU BE GETTING BACK TO WORK?!
OMG, YOU'RE RIGHT!!
THE NEXT DAY...
CHRRRRP
CHIRP
CHIRP
ジョモサン
Jomothan
HEY.
OH, HEY!
Cold Drink
WHAT'S UP, KOHAI?
STUDYING ALONE AT THE DINER?
NOT EXACTLY ...
WELL, WELL!
Drink Bar

OH MY! ISN'T SHE ADORABLE?!
WHO'S THIS? A FRIEND OF YOURS, NARIYUKI ?!
ESPRIT 8
Oh!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WHAT JUNIOR HIGH DO YOU GO TO?
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SQUEEE!!
SO TINY! ARE YOU IN JUNIOR HIGH?!
UH-OH...
吹れわ...
Want some udon?
I like her!

I'LL KNOCK YOUR BLOCK OFF, KOHA! !!
I TOLD YOU NEVER TO CALL ME THAT!!
KA-FOOM
HEY, NOW... CALM DOWN, ASHUMI SENPAI...
I AM NOT IN JUNIOR HIGH!! GET YOUR HANDS OFF ME!!